

Meeting Summary December 11, 2006 7:00 PM Fairfax Chamber of Commerce, 8230 Old Courthouse Road

- I. Call to Order: The Task Force approved the November 13, 2006 meeting summary as submitted.
- II. <u>Fluor/Transurban presentation on HOT Lanes:</u> The project team presented an overview of the HOT Lanes project, which are planned for the Capital Beltway between Braddock Road and north of the Dulles Toll Road. The project team included George Biediger, Vice President, Fluor; Vin Vassallo, Vice President, Transurban; and Jennifer Aument, Manager of Public Affairs, Transurban.

There will be two HOT lanes in each direction located on the interior of the Beltway. The lanes will utilize congestion pricing, i.e. the price to use the lanes will increase as the amount of cars using the lanes increases. The project team will conduct public open houses in late March and anticipates starting construction in late 2007.

One of the main concerns of the Task Force is ensuring coordination between the HOT lanes project and the Tysons study. Other concerns included the impact of the HOT lanes on pedestrian access within Tysons, surrounding neighborhoods, Beltway traffic during construction, and traffic backups at the northern terminus of the HOT Lanes. There was also discussion of the Westpark Connector, its importance to the project, and its potential to cause backups on the HOT lanes. The Task Force also discussed funding of the project.

III. Metro Photo Simulation presentation: Rick Stevens, Fairfax County Dulles Rail Coordinator, presented photo simulations of the four planned Metro stations in Tysons Corner and the Wiehle Avenue Metro station. The photo simulations showed the relationship of the stations to the adjacent roadways as well as the exterior and interior appearance of the stations and pedestrian bridges.

Task Force members asked questions regarding pedestrian access at the stations and if there would be sidewalks allowing pedestrian to walk to the stations. Sidewalks around the Metro stations are part of the project, but the remaining sidewalks will be constructed by developers. The Task Force briefly discussed the station design and the coordination of the rail project with the HOT lanes.

IV. Affordable Housing Subcommittee Report: Michelle Krocker (Affordable Housing Subcommittee Chair) presented the <u>Subcommittee's recommendations for Tysons</u>. There was discussion regarding the policy recommendations of the High Rise

Affordability Panel. In its report the Subcommittee endorses the Panel's recommendation that at least 12 percent of units produced in high-rise/high density developments be affordable/workforce housing.

V. Communication Subcommittee Report: Janyce Hedetniemi (reporting on behalf of Kohann Whitney) reported that the Subcommittee is coordinating with the consultants and a <u>fact sheet</u> has been produced that identifies key activities and a general timeline. The fact sheet will be distributed to the public and posted on the web.

Additional outreach efforts include multiple briefings in January to HOA presidents and other stakeholders. The Task Force Chairman will lead these briefings with the assistance of Task Force members. It was stressed that Task Force members should take an active role by engaging the public in the planning process and communicating regularly with the constituency that they represent.

VI. Refinement of consultant's scope of work and schedule: There will workshops in March for the public to attend and give their input on alternative models presented by the consultants. The consultants will craft the models based on existing community input and Task Force feedback. Prior to these large workshops, the Task Force will also have an opportunity to have a brain storming session with the consultants.

The consultants will create refined models based on public input from the workshops and evaluate these models to understand feasibility and ramifications. The public will have the opportunity to comment on the refined models, and the consultants will develop a preferred model based on these comment as well as the findings of their evaluation. The consultants will then gather public comment on the preferred model, refine it to reflect these comments and present the final model to the Task Force in December. The Task Force will base its recommendations on the final model and present these recommendations to the Planning Commission in early 2008.

- VII. Follow-up on property owner coalitions: Bill Lecos summarized a memo that he presented to the Chairman that explains the three categories of landowners that represent major stakeholders within Tysons. The three categories include: major landowners, major residential property owners, and coalitions of landowners around the planned Metrorail stations.
- VIII. Next meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 22, 2007 at 7 p.m., Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce, 8230 Old Courthouse Road. DPWES, Stormwater Planning Division, will present draft recommendations for the Middle Potomac (Scotts Run Watershed) and Difficult Run Watersheds. The Dulles Rail Project may also present renderings of the above grade Metrorail line structures.
 - IX. Adjourn: 9:00 p.m.